

Portsmouth Chamber. She has an extensive background in running, managing and developing chambers, and has demonstrated success in a number of key areas including economic and community development, technology and tourism initiatives and government affairs. Her success in developing a highly visible seacoast regional hospitality and tourism program, her skill and her record of accomplishment are a tribute to her state and community.

If the accolades of peers are any measure of achievement, Robin is at the top of her game. Her energy, enthusiasm and skill have allowed her to accomplish great things for the Granite State, and I have no doubt that she will be a tremendous asset in her new position. It is an honor and a privilege to serve Robin Comstock in the United States Senate, and I wish her all the best.●

#### DEAN KAMEN

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Dean Kamen of Bedford, New Hampshire, whose dedication to the field of technology has earned him the admiration and gratitude of his state and nation. As a testament to his many extraordinary achievements, Dean was awarded the National Medal of Technology by President Clinton in 2000 for inventions that have advanced medical care worldwide. His innovative spirit and imaginative leadership have awakened America to the excitement of science and technology.

Dean's remarkable career as an inventor began while he was still a college undergraduate, when he invented the first wearable infusion pump. This device rapidly found uses in such diverse medical specialties as chemotherapy, neonatology, and endocrinology. Since then Dean has played a leading role in many major advances in healthcare, such as the insulin pump for diabetics. He was also instrumental in the development of IBOT, a personal transporter developed for the disabled community, which is capable of climbing stairs, traversing sandy and rocky terrain and raise its user to eye-level with a standing person.

Nearly a decade ago, Dean founded FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) to motivate America's youth to learn about science and technology, and has personally recruited many of the top leaders of industry, education and government in this mission. He has been recognized for his efforts by prestigious publications such as Smithsonian Magazine and the New York Times, which labeled him a "New Kind of Hero for American Youth."

Dean's passion for technology and its practical uses has changed the face of healthcare and inspired a love of science in a generation of American

children. Because of his extraordinary achievements, we have a new understanding of ourselves and the world, as well as a renewed hope for the future. It is an honor to represent Dean in the United States Senate, and I wish him all the best in his endeavors.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ALYSSA SPELLMAN

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Alyssa Spellman of Bow, New Hampshire, a young woman whose poise, hard work, and intelligence have earned her the respect and admiration of her state and community. At the age of seventeen, Alyssa has dedicated much of her young life to serving others. This service was recognized publicly when she was recently awarded the Governor's Award for Volunteerism.

An accomplished musician and artist, Alyssa has been nominated to Art, Classical Music and Jazz Music All-State. She was also chosen as Female Youth Entertainer, Traditional Entertainer and Rising New Start Vocalist of 1999 by the New Hampshire Country Music Association. After winning these titles, Alyssa continued in her tradition of helping others by performing at benefit concerts to raise money for diabetes and cancer research.

Graceful and accomplished, Alyssa recently competed for and won the title of Miss Bedford 2001. She will go on to compete for the title of Miss New Hampshire, with the ultimate goal of winning the Miss America crown. In competition, Alyssa promotes her platform of prevention of teen violence, an issue to which she devotes a considerable amount of her free time. Alyssa is a tribute to her community, and I wish her all the best in her future endeavors. I know that Alyssa will continue to be a fine New Hampshire representative. It is an honor to serve her in the United States Senate.●

#### SUZANNE LULL

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to honor Suzanne Lull, a teacher whose devotion to education and literacy serves as an inspiration for her colleagues and students alike. Recently named New Hampshire's Teacher of the Year, Ms. Lull is credited with a special ability to involve both parents and the community in her students education.

Ms. Lull began her career in private education, then moved to her current position at Washington elementary school. Starting out as a fourth grade teacher, she initiated a balanced literacy program that integrates reading and writing into all areas of the curriculum. Her passion for literacy continued to be evident as she moved to teaching younger students with the hopes of inspiring reading education early in their academic career.

Ms. Lull claims she always knew she would be a teacher. Ever the educator, she spends her free time working along side her husband in his ministry, giving religious instruction to Sunday school children of all ages. Suzanne Lull is a tribute to her community and profession, and it is an honor and a privilege to serve her in the United States Senate.●

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1. A communication from the Director of the Federal Register, National Archives, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Certificates of Ascertainment of the electors of the President and Vice President of the United States; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-2. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Criteria for Approving Courses for VA Educational Assistance Programs" (RIN2900-AI67) received on January 4, 2001; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weatherization Assistance Program for Low-Income Persons" (RIN1904-AB05) received on December 19, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Pharmacy Benefits Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the High Altitude Endurance Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (now Global Hawk) Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Public Political Communications Coordinated with Candidates and Party Committees, and Independent Expenditures" received on January 4, 2001; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-8. A communication from the Director of Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Detention of Aliens Ordered Removed" ((RIN1115-AF82) (INS2029-00)) received on December 20, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-9. A communication from the Clerk of the United States Court of Federal Claims, transmitted, pursuant to law, a report of all judgments rendered for the court